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Dear interested party:

Pursuant to MCA 77-5-207 and Montana Administrative Rules for Forest Management 36.11.409, The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's Anaconda Unit is proposing to salvage harvest beetle killed timber from 3 State owned School Trust sections northwest of Avon, Montana, in Powell County. The legal descriptions for the Hoodoo's Beetle Salvage are: T11N, R10W, Sections 16 and 36; T12N, R10W, Section 36 (See attached Map).

Initial surveys indicate a widespread infestation causing significant mortality in merchantable Lodgepole pine trees. Salvage would remove beetle-killed trees, and trees at risk, from approximately 1,300 acres to capture value as stated in MCA 77-5-207. New roads built would be either closed or obliterated and this project would comply with all applicable State laws. This project is anticipated to generate approximately \$1,000,000 for the Common School Trust Fund.

Persons wishing to comment may submit written comments to:

Brian Robbins  
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Or for more information please call 406-563-6078. Comments must be submitted by August 29, 2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Robbins".

Brian Robbins  
Forester  
DNRC Anaconda Unit.



